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SUBJECT: COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL TO TAX VEGETABLE OIL

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1. ON JULY 6, THE EC COMMISSION PROPOSED TO THE
COUNCIL A TAX ON VEGETABLE OILS AS ONE OF THE STEPS
REQUIRED TO SOLVE THE COMMUNITY'S DAIRY PROBLEMS. WE
HAVE EXPRESSED OUR DEEP CONCERN

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REGARDING THIS PROPOSAL TO HIGH GERMAN GOVERNMENT

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2. COMMENT: WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THERE MIGHT BE A
DESIRE IN THE UPCOMING COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS TO
COMPROMISE ON THIS ISSUE. THE DAIRY LOBBY IS
INFLUENTIAL THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY AND WILL NOT ACCEPT
A PROGRAM WHICH DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY REDUCES THEIR
INCOMES. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO
CONVINCE THE MEMBER STATES AND THE COMMISSION OF THE
GRAVITY OF THIS PROPOSAL, I.E. THAT THE U. S. WILL UNDER
NO CIRCUMSTANCES ACCEPT A VEGETABLE OIL TAX SCHEME
WHICH IS, IN OUR VIEW, A TAX ON SOYBEANS AND THAT THE
U. S. WILL RETALIATE IMMEDIATELY.
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